

Winter Highlights

Applications are now available for the 1st Annual Run for Reading—a **5K Run/Walk** to be held **Saturday, April 15** at 9:00 am.

Holiday Hours: We will be closed December 24, 25, 26, 31 and January 1.

The **Friends Bookstore** will be closed December 19–31.

January Story Time for families, preschoolers and toddlers starts **January 3**.

Holiday Hours: The Library will be closed on Monday, **January 16**.

There are a Thousand Stories Waiting to be Told @ your library. On **January 17** we kick off **Winter Reading Program**.

February is **Library Lovers Month**.

Celebrate **Black History Month** in February.



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Delta Township District Library @ your library

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From the Director—Cherry Hamrick

Two exciting events will take place this spring. Both relate to the library but are very different from anything the library has done in the past.

March 17th is the **McLean Gala**, the first of a planned series of 3 events will be presented by the McLean Committee to raise enough money (\$100,000) to have a room in the proposed new library building dedicated to the Lissa K. McLean Collection of over 600 books, videos, pamphlets, pictures and other items for and about women. The hope of the committee is to have room to expand the collection, have comfortable seating for reading and studying, and have enough room for programs and meetings as well.

The first Gala will feature

Robin Roberts, Good Morning America host and ESPN sportscaster. Robin was a friend of Lissa K. McLean's, and is excited about helping make the room a reality. She and Lissa worked together on the Women's Sports Foundation and the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA). There will also be a silent auction with items from the WNBA, Robin Roberts, Women's History Project, and area businesses. Tickets are \$50, and a special ticket for \$100 will include a chance to meet Robin Roberts and have a picture taken with her. Dessert and wine will be served during the silent auction and Ms. Roberts speech. For more information, please call the library at 321-4014 or email me at: chamrick@deltami.gov

A month later, on April 15, the library will host the first annual **5K Run For Reading**. This run, walk, and stroller walk will take participants from the current library location to the site of the proposed new building, and back again. Prizes, food, great shirts, special sippy cups for the stroller participants, a fire truck to explore, music, and other fun activities will be available. More information and an application for the run/walk will be found at our website: www.deltami.gov/library or at the library. Please join us for a great morning of exercise, friendship, and library fund raising. And remember, if you have a library card it will save you \$2.00 on your entry fee!

Winter Reading Programs

The Delta Township District Library is offering two very special reading programs this winter.

On **January 17** we kick off **Winter Reading Program** with DeltaReads! The Chronicles of Narnia. This eternally popular children's series by C. S. Lewis has recently been made into a movie so there will be many ways to enjoy the book.

There are a Thousand Stories Waiting to be Told @ your library. What's yours? This winter the library will also be asking for your library story-

why you love the library and how the library has helped you. Stories received by February 14 will be eligible for prizes, including movie tickets to see Chronicles of Narnia, free copies of the book, free movie rentals and winter survival kits.

Once again teens have their own winter program with chances to win great prizes.

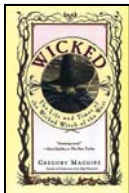
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In the Spotlight— Gregory Maguire

From the book jackets



When Dorothy triumphed over the Wicked Witch of the West in L. Frank Baum's classic tale, we heard only her side of the story. But what about her arch-nemesis, the mysterious Witch? Where did she come from? How did she become so wicked? And what is the true nature of evil?

We all have heard the story of Cinderella, the beautiful child cast out to slave among the ashes. But what of her stepsisters, the homely pair exiled into ignominy by the fame of their lovely sibling? What fate befell those untouched by beauty . . . and what curses accompanied Cin-



derella's exquisite looks?



Winifred Rudge, a bemused writer struggling to get beyond the runaway success of her mass-market astrology book, travels to London to jump-start her new novel about a woman who is being haunted by the ghost of Jack the Ripper.

The year is 1502, and seven-year-old Bianca de Nevada lives perched high above the rolling hills and valleys of Tuscany and Umbria at Montefiore, the farm of her beloved father, Don Vicente. But one day a noble entourage makes its way up the winding slopes to the farm -- and the world comes to Montefiore. In the presence of Cesare Borgia and his sister, the lovely and vain



Lucrezia -- decadent children of a wicked pope -- no one can claim innocence for very long. When Borgia sends Don Vicente on a years-long quest, he leaves Bianca under the care -- so to speak -- of Lucrezia.

She plots a dire fate for the young girl in the woods below the farm, but in the dark forest salvation can be found as well . . .

When a Witch dies-not as a crone, withered and incapable, but as a woman in her prime, at the height of her passion and prowess-too much is left unsaid. What might have happened had Elphaba lived? Of her campaigns in defense of the Animals, of her appetite for justice, of her talent for magic itself, what good might have come? If every death is a tragedy, the death of a woman in her prime keenly bereaves the whole world.



Coming Soon @ your library



New Books

Rita Mae Brown— Sour Puss
Stephen King— Cell
Danielle Steel— House
William Bernhardt— Capitol Murder
Kristin Hannah— The Magic Hour
Lisa Gardner— Gone
John Lescroart— Hunt Club
J.D. Robb— Memory in Death



New Audio

S is for Silence— Sue Grafton
In the Company of the Courtesan by Sarah Dunant
On the Run by Iris Johannsen
Every Breath You Take by Judith McNaught
The Historian by Elizabeth Kostova
The Fifth Horseman by James Patterson
Sea Change: A Jesse Stone Novel by Robert Parker
Gone by Lisa Gardner
Capital Murder by William Bernhardt



New on DVD

December

The 40 Year-Old Virgin
Bad News Bears
The Brothers Grimm
Cinderella Man
Dark Water
The Dukes Of Hazzard
The Exorcism of Emily Rose
Fantastic 4
Four Brothers
Grizzly Man
Into the Blue
Ladies in Lavender
Must Love Dogs
Rebound
Roll Bounce
Serenity


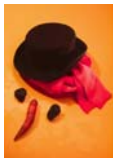




January

Broken Flowers
Constant Gardener
Flightplan
Hustle and Flow
Junebug
Lord of War
Oliver Twist
The Cave
Tim Burton's Corpse Bride
Transporter 2
Two for the Money
Underclassman
Wedding Crashers

February

North Country
Saw II

December

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 	2	3 
5	6 Library Board Mtg 7:00 pm	7	8	9	10
12	13	14 Library Opens at 1:00 pm	15	16	17
19	20 	21	22	23	24 Library Closed 
26 Library Closed 	27 	28	29 	30	31 Library Closed 

January

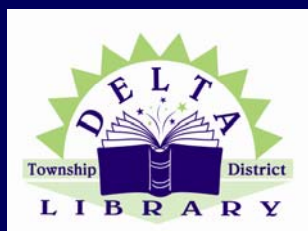
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5	4 Family Story Time 10:30	5	6	7
9	10 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5 Library Board 7:00 pm	11 Family Story Time 10:30	12	13	14
16 Library Closed for Dr. King Holiday	17 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5	18 Family Story Time 10:30	19	20	21
23	24 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5	25 Family Story Time 10:30	27	28	29
30	31		Winter Reading Program January 17- February 14		

February

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 	7 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5 Library Board 7:00 pm	8 Family Story Time 10:30 	9	10	11
13	14 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5	15 Family Story Time 10:30	16	17	18
20 	21 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5	22 Family Story Time 10:30	23	24	25
27	28 Story Time 10:30 Toddlers & 3-5	Mar 1 Family Story Time 10:30			

February
Celebrate Library Lovers' Month

Library Board Update— Michael Moore, Chair



CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: 4538 Elizabeth Rd
Lansing, Michigan 48917
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www.deltami.gov/library

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday

10:00-9:00

Friday 10:00-6:00

Saturday 10:00-5:00

LIBRARY STAFF

Library Director:
Cherry Hamrick

Public Services Librarian:
Mary Rzepczynski

Library Services Coordinator:
Stephanie Conarton

Library Assistants:
Jo Ann, Jan, Pat, Kathy,
Chris, Claudia & Cheryl

Library Pages:
Erin, Robert, Caitlin

LIBRARY BOARD

Chairperson: Michael Moore

Treasurer: Richard Milliman

Trustee: Judy Mulvaney

Trustee: Susan Bolhouse

Trustee: Marie Papciak

Trustee: Colleen Weinfeld

Your Library Board, in conjunction with the Delta Township Board is moving ahead with plans to develop and build a new modern library on the vacant property on the south side of Elmwood across from the entrance to Sharp Park. The Township Board has agreed to support a millage request to raise both capital development funds and annually operating funds for the new library.

As of this writing the Township officials are working with the Library Board to determine the millage amount to be requested, most likely at the summer 2006 election. In addition the Library Board is working to develop a Capital Campaign to raise funds within the community to enhance the new building, the size and quality of the collection and other aspects of an outstanding community library.

February is Library Lovers Month and one way to show your appreciation of the Library and its services is to join the Friends. The Friends of the Delta Township District Library are our long time partners in providing first class service to the library-using citizens of the Township. We are very pleased with the strong support that the Friends have provided in the past and have incorporated substantial space in the new building plans for their used bookstore. The entire library community benefits from the efforts of this volunteer organization. For more information on how you can help, please visit www.deltami.gov/library or call 321-4014.



By the numbers

Library Statistics	Year to Date (through Dec 1)
Number of visitors	97,888
Materials checked out	187,287
Program attendance	3,331
Internet users	12,537

Friends of the Library

To allow their amazing volunteers an opportunity to spend time with their families during the busy holiday season, the Friends **do not accept book donations during the month of December.**



MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Adults \$5.00 · Family \$8.00
· Senior or
Children \$2.00 and
Life \$40.00.
Dues are annual, except
LIFE, covering the calendar
year, January 1 to
December 31.

*Memberships can be
purchased at the Library or at
the Bookstore.*

BOOKSTORE HOURS

**The bookstore will be
closed December 19–
December 31**

Mon-Tues-Wed
7:00 pm-8:30 pm

Friday
1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Saturday
12:00 pm-4:00pm